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## **AMENDMENT**

## Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on October 7, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.